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KERRY

By R. C. O'CONNOR.

Kerry is the first spot in Europe which the American tourist sees after he leaves Boston or New York; it is the last on which the Irish emigrants' gaze fondly rests as he bids farewell, perhaps forever, to his native land. It is a land unrivalled in picturesque beauty, a land of lofty mountains and verdant, fertile valleys, of crystal lakes nestling in the bosom of the hills, of limpid streams that come rushing down from their home in the mountains, and that forever sing their songs as they flow, murmuring, to the sea; it is a land against whose mighty cliffs the restless ocean forever beats, now crooning its song of sorrow, now shouting its challenge of defiance. It is, too, a land of song and story, of poetry and romance, and of legend gray and hoary.

There is in fact a romance connected, indirectly, with its name. Those who are familiar with the ancient romance of "Deirdre and the Sons of Usnach," will recall how when Connor, King of Ulster, broke faith with Fergus Mac-Roy, the latter with three thousand warriors left Ulster in shame and disquiet at Connor's perfidy, and took refuge in Connaught. There Fergus, who was a high-minded warrior, married Maeo, the celebrated Queen of Connaught, by whom he had three sons. One of those was named Ciar, (pronounced Keer) and to him was given as his patrimony the district lying between Tralee Bay and Abbey Ceale northwards to the Shannon. His descendants were called Ciarraidhe (Keerree) from which comes the modern Anglicised form, Kerry.

Kerry is not less interesting from a historical, than it is from a scenic and picturesque point of view, for there many of the remarkable events of Irish history took place. It was in Kerry, at the mouth of Inver Sceine, now the Kenmare River, that Parthaton and his followers, the first colonists of Ireland, landed, and there many centuries later, the sons of Milesias landed after having narrowly escaped destruction by a great storm, raised by the magic of the De Danaans, the primitive inhabi-

tants of Ireland. Proceeding inland through a country which in the early days must have been almost impassable, the Milesians were met by the De Danaans among the Killarney Mountains, and there in the present barony of Fruchanackmy the first battle between the Milesians and De Danaans was fought for the possession of Ireland. This battle is commemorated in the names Glenscoheen and Glenofaush, which were named after two women Scota and Fas, the wives of Milesian leaders, who were killed in this battle, and whose graves are still pointed out. This is an instance of the tenacity with which names are preserved in Ireland, and how readily the history of the country can be read in the light of those names by those who understand them.

It is a rather singular coincidence that the last life lost in an attempt to obtain possession of Ireland, should have been in this very district, for here in 1867 a policeman, bearing dispatches and refusing to halt when commanded, was shot and instantly killed by the Fenians under John O'Connor, near the village of Glenbeigh, between Killorglin and Cahersiveen. These two events are separated by about 3000 years, yet during all the intervening centuries, in every crises of the nation's history, Kerry can proudly boast of having cast her lot with the national cause; and I make no idle boast when I say that should Mother Erin in her distress ever call her scattered children to her aid, not "Rebel Cork" or "Magnificent Tipperary" will respond more readily than the sons of the ancient classic little "Kingdom of Kerry."

It was too amid the Killarney Mountains that the Danish invaders met their first reverse in Ireland. After having pillaged and burnt the monastery which was built on the rocky islet called Skelligs' situated some few miles southwest of the Island of Valentia, they proceeded inland, made bold by their success, and avaricious by the plunder they secured, until they reach-

ed the very district trod by the Milesians so many centuries before, and there they were met by the prince of the district and utterly routed. And when two centuries later, Brian Boru gathered his forces together for a final struggle at Clontarf, Kerry sent her contingent under Falvey Finn, and MacBetha. It will thus be seen that Kerry was the theater, as I have said, of some of the most important events in the early history of the country.

Nor was the part she played in later times less important. After the English invasion Kerry was partitioned between the ancestors of the Fitzgeralds and the Fitzmaurices who were kinsmen. Much of the property of the former was in County Limerick, but their chief residence was at Tralee, where their descendants who had become Earls of Desmond held court with royal splendor, a circumstance which probably gave rise to the title "Kingdom" as applied to Kerry. They were a turbulent, lawless people, who kept the country in constant warfare by their feuds and quarrels. A bitter enmity existed between the Butlers, Dukes of Ormond, and the Fitzgeralds, Earls of Desmond. On one occasion as a Desmond was borne, wounded, on a litter from the field of battle, a captive, one of the enemy, asked "Where now is the proud Earl of Desmond?" the reply came instantly and proudly, "On the backs of the Butlers where he has always been." The last Earl of Desmond rebelled during Elizabeth's reign, and after a fierce and prolonged struggle was finally betrayed and murdered in a glen not far from Castleisland. His estates embracing over 500,000 acres of land were confiscated. Fitzmaurice whose seat was at Lixnan, in the midst of the fertile valley of the Feale, was involved in the rebellion of Desmond and his property was also confiscated. He managed, however, to get back his estates when James I ascended the throne. The present Marquis of Lansdowne, England's Minister of Foreign Affairs, is descended from this Irish rebel. His son bears the title of Lord Kerry.

Kerry took an active part in the Cromwellian war, and was subsequently partitioned among the followers of that "humane" conqueror. The lands in Kerry were valued at £450 for 1000 acres, and in some of the baronies as low as £250. The soldiers refusing to

accept land in a country regarded as barren, sold their allotments to the officers who thus became possessed of large tracts of land, since made valuable by the labor of the farmer. Many of the aristocratic (?) families of Kerry are descended from these Cromwellian freebooters, between whom and the descendants of the ancient inhabitants there never has been, and never will be, any feeling of sympathy and goodwill. At the conclusion of the Williamite wars, Kerry became a party to the celebrated Treaty of Limerick, which having been violated so soon after its execution by the English, released the other parties from any moral obligations to observe its provisions.

I have simply glanced at some of the principal events in the history of Kerry, leaving to other hands the task of telling of its legends old and hoary, and also of the ecclesiastical side of its history which is one of surpassing interest. Everywhere in Kerry the traveler is confronted with monuments Pagan and Christian around whose ruins the ivy lovingly twines, as if to preserve to future generations the evidences of glories long past, and nowhere in Europe is there so rich a field for the antiquarian and the historian. For here are to be found monuments that were old when the foundations of Rome were laid, and that have come down to us apparently untouched by time, the only evidence bequeathed to us by a people, of whose existence no other trace remains, as they passed away long before the fancy of the ancient Shanachie could weave his net of fable around them.

The principal families of the old Milesian stock belonging to Kerry are the McCarthys, O'Connors, O'Sullivan (Lords of Dunkerron), O'Sealons, O'Moores, McElligotts, McGillcuddys, O'Donoghues, O'Moriartys, O'Mahoneys, O'Connells (the connection of this latter family with Kerry's is comparatively of recent date), O'Sheas, O'Falvey, O'Casey, O'Cronin, O'Brennan, etc. And of the Norman stock the Fitzgeralds, Fitzmaurices and Cantillons, whose descendants are numerous. Later adventurers were Brown (Earl of Kenmare), Crosby, Blenerhasset, Tuite, Sands, and several others.

I have left unsaid much of interest

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regarding Kerry, but the limits of a paper like this will not admit of details, and I may be trespassing on the fields of others by being discursive. I cannot close this paper, however, without mention of a few of Kerry's eminent sons. I do not wish to include in the list the Kerry men of to-day who are serving England in the Cabinet and in the field; these belong to the race that centuries of residence in and connection with the country never made truly national, they and their forbears always kept an eye too closely on their individual interests to be disinterested. The first name that naturally comes before us is O'Connell, a man who belongs to Kerry by birth, to mankind by his eminent services, Dominic O'Day who emigrated to Spain and Bernard O'Connor physician to Sobieski, King of Poland. Farther back was the minister and adviser of Brian Boru (Flahertach I think), St. Brendan, who discovered America a thousand years before Columbus, and still farther back, Dorney who was chief adviser to Conn of the Hundred Battles, after whom O'Dorney is called which at one time was the seat of a monastery of much renown. Going still farther back we find the great Roman poet, Virgil, after enumerating the eminent men of his day concluding with the remark "*Conticuere omnes*" which a classical friend of mine translates "County Kerry men all!"

Kerry and Meath.

Everybody connected with this Festival is proud to be a worker for the cause the Fair espouses. Last evening it was a pleasure to watch the multitude as they surged to and fro. Every game and booth was busy. The crowd was anxious and willing, and when the doors closed last night, another successful session passed into history.

Kerry Booth presented Irish dances by J. P. O'Connor and John Kelleher; fancy dances by Miss Hazel Callahan and Prosper Forrest; vocal solos by George Cheney, Miss Margaret Cronin, Mrs. Edward S. Kuse and Mr. Harris; Violin solo, Miss Rose O'Brien, accompanied by Miss T. O'Brien.

Those who helped at the Kerry Booth were Mrs. Glavin, Miss Agnes Griffin, Miss Mae Frant, Miss Eleanor Lyons, the Misses Murphy and Miss Mollie McCarthy.

The program at the Meath Booth was as follows: Recitation, J. A. McGough; solo, Mrs. Virgie Roddy; fancy dance, Miss Ruth Wilson; solo, Mrs. K. Mullins; musical specialties, Messrs. Coret and Cutlar; dancing, Miss Pearl Hickman, Miss Bessie Allen, J. P. O'Connor, J. J. Kelleher.

Those in charge of the booth were Mrs. A. S. Mulvey, president; Mrs. M. McGuire, Mrs. M. McCue, Mrs. Crawford, Miss Flora Greene, Miss Bessie Callaghan, Miss Celia McFeeley, Miss Nell Mulvey, Miss Marie Munn, J. A. McGough and James S. Mulvey, assistants.

The Gaelic League crowded the Fair and added to its pleasures with the following programme:

Address by Father Yorke.

Remarks in Gaelic by M. Mahoney.

Recitation in Gaelic by Thomas Moriarty.

Four-Hand Reel by Messrs. O'Connor and Kelleher and the Misses Pearl Hickman and Bessie Allen.

Selections in Gaelic by the Gaelic Choral Society.

The music by the Iroquois Band was quite a feature of last night's exercises. The band is composed of good musicians and render nightly excellent selections. The following was last night's program:

1. March, "Chilcoot," composed by Alf Roncovieri.
2. Potpourie of Ancient Irish Airs, Garrod.
3. Waltz, "The Edinburgh," Bonnisseau.
4. Fantasia, "The Soldiers Dream," By request.

INTERMISSION.

5. March, "Loup the Loup,"..... Schwartz.
6. Gavotte, "Rosa," Blum.
7. Waltz, "The Irish Rose," Chauncey Alcott.
8. Galop, "Fireman's Galop," Chas. Schultz.

Dr. and Mrs. Chas. McCarthy were the guests of Mrs. Mulvihill at the "All Ireland" Booth last evening.

Mrs. Smith, Miss M. Shannessy and Miss Helen Smith, and of our most popular Fresno teachers, made a trip to the city to view the Irish Fair.

Mr. M. P. Corridan was happy last evening making money for the kingdom of Kerry.

SGEULTA NA H-AONAIGHE.

Miss M. McMahon and Miss G. Lechner looked charming in white Mousseline de Soie.

Louth Booth has something new in the line of home races. Thirty-two counties of Ireland are represented, and an Irish horse is sure to win at every turn of the wheel.

The Misses May and Lizzie Leddy and Miss Malone were visitors to the Louth Booth last Tuesday evening, and were very liberal patrons.

The Misses Molly and Elizabeth Reardon are earnest patronesses of the Fair, so are the entire family—and naturally so—being next door neighbors to the clergy of St. Peter's.

Miss Cassie O'Brien looked charming in her gown, which was of a rich shade of mode. Bedecked in exquisite Pauline roses, she sat thoughtfully gazing at the Galway Booth. I wonder why?

It is a very sad predicament in which Miss Lena O'Brien is placed, owing to the fact that she is not quite tall enough to cast loving glances from Sligo to Cavan.

Who is the lad from the County Mayo so much admired by Miss Tessie O'Connor?

Mrs. Goode was attired in white organdie over pink, and won many admirers throughout the Fair.

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THROUGH THE EMERALD ISLE

GALWAY.

Galway had a little celebration of its own last night. It was C. L. A. S. night and the Aid Society members made quite a showing. Among those present were Grand President, Miss Mary Cace; grand secretary, Miss Mollie Conlin; grand deputy, Miss Mary Atkinson; Mrs. McFadden, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Lamburth, Mrs. Mitchell, Miss Jennie Mitchell, Mrs. McAleer, Mrs. P. Moore, Mrs. Regan, Mrs. Finn, Miss Monahan, Miss Katie Monahan, Miss Burke, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Pendergast.

Galway has a wonderfully expert palmist in Mrs. Wm. McManus. Rev. Martin Concannon was another visitor.

LIMERICK.

The ladies of Limerick Booth are working hard to do justice to their Historic city that was the last to give in and the first to come on top whenever the name of freedom was mentioned. The women of Limerick were always at the front whenever they were called on. The visitors to Limerick last evening were Fathers Kenneally, Grady, Doyle, Hartnett, Mr. Richard O'Connor, Mr. W. F. Hall of Visalia, Mr. Savage of Vallejo, Mr. Doherty of Visalia. The ladies invite all Limerick folk in California to call on them at the grand Irish Fair of 1902.

CAVAN.

Cavan Booth, under the management of Mrs. A. Conlan and Miss Mollie Riley, have a very excellent program which will be rendered tonight (Thursday) on the occasion of Cavan's evening at home. As some of the best artists in the city are scheduled to appear, a very enjoyable evening can be spent at this booth where many rare and costly articles are on display.

LOUTH.

Louth is the smallest and richest county in Ireland. The wealth of the county is without doubt due to the energy of the people and when the apportionment was being made, Louth was allotted the smallest area because it was known at the time that she would come forward with a good account of herself and if given an equal share of the Emerald Isle she would keep the riches of the country from going to any other county. This characteristic has been brought from the old country and transplanted right here in our own miniature Ireland for we nightly see evidence of it in Louth Booth where much energetic work is being done by Mrs. Mallon, Mrs. Rosenburg and Miss Mamie Callen. These ladies have a very creditable display and on Monday evening, May 19th, the occasion of their evening at home, will give a very excellent musical and literary entertainment. They have engaged the best talent procurable and are sure to give a very enjoyable time.

WESTMEATH.

This is Westmeath's night at home and the ladies in charge are working hard to make it the banner night of the Fair. A fine program has been prepared by the following ladies and gentlemen:

Miss Delia Flanagan, President; Miss J. Morrin, Miss Katie Flanagan, Miss A. Morrin, Miss Lizzie Morrin, Miss M. Rhodes, Miss E. O'Connor, Miss M. Flanagan, Mr. T. O'Connor, Mr. P. Morrin, Mr. P. Reynolds.

WEXFORD.

Wexford Booth has received many new donations and consequently appears if possible more attractive than before. Little Alice Cavanaugh is an attraction in Wexford. The ladies entertained numerous visitors.

LONGFORD.

As you enter Longford Booth you pass between two magnificent palms, which were presented by Rev. Father Brady. A beautiful piece of drawn work is attracting a great deal of attention.

KILKENNY.

The members of Kilkenny Booth are preparing a good old-fashioned Kilkenny welcome for their friends on the evening of the 21st. They promise that their visitors' money will disappear as effectively as the famous "Kilkenny Cats."

Messrs. Phelan and Ryan recently from Kilkenny, visited the Booth and said they felt quite "at home."

Otto Goodfellow visited the booth on Tuesday night and bought a number of votes for Helen Glendon, candidate for Carnival Queen.

The ladies of the Booth are going to run the elevator so as to bring patrons direct to the Art Gallery.

A live cat has been presented by Annie Slanting of the Parrott Building.

MONAHAN.

Johnny McCarthy is kept very busy turning out horse-shoes. As edibles he says they are not near as palatable as "hot cakes" but they go just as fast.

Monahan had a great attraction last evening in a wheel of fortune, the happy winner each time getting his choice of a dollar or a watch.

Friday evening will be Monahan's evening at home.

TYRONE.

Rev. J. M. Cassin of Santa Rosa paid a visit to Tyrone Booth yesterday and made the hearts of the ladies glad by his generosity.

Robert Downing, the actor, Joaquin Miller, the poet, and Hazel Callahan, the child actress, are among the attractions for Tyrone night.

Every parishoner of St. Peter's parish should take a chance to win the handsomely framed picture of Father Wm. Lyons, the tireless assistant pastor. Prominent among the workers in the Tyrone Booth is the tall, graceful Mrs. Lizzie Merrill. She is working hard to make Tyrone Booth a success and her generous husband, Frank Merrill is constantly seconding her efforts.

Mr. P. A. Byrne, the young old man, of Tyrone and his family are the backbone of this booth. Mr. John Byrne has charge of the Tyrone handicap while Mrs. Byrne and her charming daughters assist in the Tyrone Booth and Carlow Annex.

FERMANAGH.

You may congratulate yourself if you are fortunate enough to stop at Fermanagh for soda and ice cream, it is so refreshing. Mr. Brannan is master of ceremonies and though a busy man always finds time to wait on you courteously.

Mr. Sinclair Trimble of the Examiner and an old "Enniskillen" man was seen at Fermanagh last night.

MAP OF IRELAND.

We understand that up to date 16,389 alleged humorists, when solicited to visit the Map of Ireland, have pointed to their faces and said, with a sickly smile, "Here it is." This was no doubt a very fine joke at one time—in the days of Adam and Eve—but it has become just a trifle decrepit with age. The next one heard trying to perpetuate this so-called joke will be placed beside General Kitchener in the Shooting Gallery. The map of Ireland is copyrighted and patented, with all rights reserved. It is moreover, good to look upon.

Those who visited the Map of Ireland last night were treated to a splendid description of the points of interest in the little green isle by Mr. Richard O'Connor. As it was Kerry night, that county was thoroughly explored. Mr. O'Connor is an entertaining talker, and no one is better fitted to describe anything Irish than he. The Map had a new meaning for those who were fortunate enough to be present.

THE JAUNTING CAR.

Visitors to the Fair never seem to tire riding the Irish Jaunting Car, which was built in Dublin by Doyle and Sons and kindly donated to the Fair by O'Brien and Sons of this city. On the opposite of the pavilion is the Yankee Jaunting Car (Automobile) and it also is kept running incessantly up and down the long track.

DONEGAL.

Mrs. H. Quinn has been one of the most active workers of the Donegal Booth and has won fame on selling chances on the beautiful doll she donated to this booth. This doll has been named after the beautiful lady Mary O'Donnell, the daughter of Tyrconnell.

ROSCOMMON.

Roscommon Booth has many new attractions. Among them is a beautiful doll, the delight of every child visitor. A handsome rocking chair is another article useful as well as ornamental in the booth.

The ladies are busy preparing for their evening at home.

Right opposite the music stand the passer-by catches the eye of smiling Mr. M. J. Toohey.

REFRESHMENT BOOTH

Mrs. James Martin is our boarding house lady. Fred Ruddock gained 15 pounds since the Fair opened, eating lunch and dinner. Why shouldn't he when we have such meals as—well for instance, take the Menu for next Saturday—a chicken lunch. The chickens to be used have been turned loose in Irish Clover for the last two months and are as fat as butter and so tender that they will melt in your mouth. It

was very kind of Mrs. Eleanor Martin to donate seventy-five of these fine chickens. There will be two dinner parties Saturday, one consisting of forty persons and the other of twenty.

SLIGO.

A finely carved ebony cane was presented to Mrs. Markey of Sligo Booth, by Mr. James F. Brennan of Company E, Third Infantry, now stationed at the Presidio. Mr. Brennan brought the cane from Manila. He has promised the ladies some more curios from the Phillipine Islands.

Misses Tessie O'Connor, Cassie O'Brien, Lena O'Brien and Miss B. Egan, did excellent work for Sligo Booth last night.

WATERFORD.

Miss Edith Browly, the handsome young lady who tends the cigar stand in Waterford Booth, was the winner of a Spitz dog in a raffle last evening.

A friend of Waterford Booth donated a valuable case of silver tea spoons to the booth last evening. The lady modestly forgot to leave her name.

Mr. and Mrs. Richert visited Waterford Booth and were pleasantly entertained by the ladies in charge.

Next Tuesday, May 20th, will be Waterford's night at home. An excellent vocal and instrumental program is being arranged.

KINGS.

Mr. and Mrs. George Peden, Mrs. J. O'Brien, Miss M. Fehan and the Misses Fisher were welcome visitors last evening.

The Misses Winterson deserve a great deal of credit for the excellent work they are doing for the booth.

Miss Anna is a champion cigar seller, having sold several hundred of the best cigars to be had in San Francisco.

Miss Mamie sells all kinds of tickets. A large number are chances on stock in the airship. All having chances on the airship stock are requested to call as a number of certificates are without owners.

CLARE.

Mrs. Wren has been working very hard on the wheel of fortune in Clare Booth. She has been very successful in this undertaking.

County Clare was favored with a visit from Senator R. J. Welch and Supervisor Britt. Mr. J. R. Wren also favored us with a visit.

TIPPERARY.

Father Powers of Livermore visited the booth last evening and contributed very generously.

Among the workers who are assisting in the booth are the Misses Dunn. Other enthusiastic workers are Miss May McDonald and brother.

Tipperary Booth will have its night at home next Tuesday evening, May 20th, instead of the date announced in a recent issue.

ACADEMY.

The patronesses of the Academy Booth are always planning something novel for their patrons. Their new attraction will be a social in the hall occupied formerly by the Irish dancing school, the general price of admission will be placed at 10 cents. All are cordially invited to attend.

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The contest for the handsome silk stole donated to the Academy Booth, was begun last night. It will be awarded to the most popular chaplain of the League of the Cross Cadets.

The celebrated decapitated Princess shown in the museum was born within a mile of Blarney Castle.

Happy Hooligan's troubles are great. Every time he leaves the museum Capt. Spillane's men drive him back with great force.

The "Mystic Well" will outclass anything artesian in the country. It seems awfully strange how the men look it up, and go away offering thanksgivings.

The Great Wrapping Contest will be the event of the Fair. The entries are Jimmie Donohue, Tom Behan and Pete Quirk. They are to fold and wrap an entire daily issue of "All Ireland"—thirty thousand copies. How's that for a circulation?

Space in "ALL IRELAND" is now at a premium. We are over-crowded and some of the notes must of necessity be omitted. But the reporters should not be discouraged. The notes will appear even if this paper must be enlarged to 32 pages—one for every county. The reporters have done splendid work and the thanks of the Fair are due them. We doff our hat to you ladies!

"Put in a notice," said one of our cheerful mailing clerks, "that people who do not receive the paper should notify this office." "What is the use of such a notice" retorted the office-boy, "Sure, if they don't receive the paper, they won't see it; and if they receive it there's no need of it." The mailing clerk is Irish.

"Take a chance please, only ten cents," said Miss Lucy Coleman to a venerable looking old lady who was taking in the sights. "Will you kindly tell me what county is celebrating tonight" was the response, "Don't know, take a chance." Well I'm just looking for news, I'm a reporter from the Call.

"Oh, is that so? Well its rubber-neck night."

This evening's program by the band is as follows: March, "Old Ireland," S. J. Tully; Waltz, "Janice Meredith," L. V. Gustin; Selection, "On the Banks of the Shannon," Shelah; Gavotte, "Louis Quatorze," Marquis de la Fayette; March, "New England's Finest," H. L. Clarke; Characteristique, "Creole Belles," J. B. Lampe; Serenade, "Am Meer," Schubert; Ma Rag-Time Baby, Fred S. Stone. Robert Allen, Leader.

The contest for Carnival Queen is becoming very interesting. The vote cast to date is very large. Every candidate has hosts of friends. The vote at the close last evening stood as follows: K. Flynn, Clare, 737; T. O'Connor, Sligo, 611; M. Winter, Monahan, 505; A. Kendricks, Academy, 1021; P. Cull, Leitrim, 501; H. Glinden, Kilkenny, 601; M. Butler, Limerick, 501; K. Kenny, Roscommon, 559; M. Maroney, Galway, 511; H. Murphy, Kerry, 579; L. Roberts, Wicklow, 500; M. Redmond, Wicklow, 550; Rita Curtis, Cork, 1084.

Rev. A. P. Doyle, the well-known Paulist, spent a most delightful evening at the Fair. He is in the city for a brief visit and he could not deny himself the pleasure of witnessing the Irish Fair. Father Doyle was born in St. Peter's parish, and for years was an altar-boy in St. Peter's church. He is now one of the most distinguished Paulists and St. Peter's is justly proud of him. He renewed old acquaintances as he wandered from booth to booth and he met with a heartfelt greeting.

Father Doyle leaves for the East in a day or two, else he would be present at the Fair many times.

LOST.

One Mink, a black purse, a brown fur boa, one Opal stick-pin, one Seal skin boa, one overcoat and a fringed handkerchief. Finders will please return articles to office at Pavilion.

My Visit to Cork

"Where is the Cork Booth?"

I put the question innocently as I stood at the door of the pavilion and gazed around with a look of awe and wonderment. For it was Cork night at the Fair—and such a night! From all parts of the city crowds were coming, young and old alike—all with the same intent, and all good-natured and happy. It looked like a gathering of Scottish tribes. You heard the rich musical brogue rolled out in the soft flowing accent of the south of Ireland. You heard the old tongue itself, fated for years to be silent but now showing unmistakable signs of life. There were the old salutations familiar to us all from childhood—the hearty "God bless you," or "God save you"—so unlike our cold un-Christian salutations of today. It was a sight that stirred within the heart something of the life and impulses of years ago, and turned one's thoughts again back upon the past recalling memories ever sacred. Ah,

those days of childhood when we roved free as the mountain air o'er hill and valley, not knowing, many of us, that in a few years we should be so far away, and those scenes we shall ever treasure, and those faces we should love to see again!

But I had no time to muse. It was not without a feeling of pride I asked the way to the Cork Booth, for I knew that Cork was always to the fore, and that now at the Irish Fair it would hold its record. Imagine my consternation however, when I heard, close beside me in an accent you could not mistake even at the North Pole: "The Cork Booth is it ye'r lookin' for? Ye have to go around the back way." A bucket of cold water could not have acted more effectually than did these few words spoken as they were calmly and in a tone of pity. I was for retreating at once, when a young lady very opportunely came to my rescue. (It is wonderful, especially at fairs, how ready they are to help you, and how they make you believe that they are there for your special benefit.)

"Never mind him, sir," she said, and if her persuasive tone of voice left me still somewhat hesitating, the smile she gave me went direct to my heart.

"He is a detective in the employ of that booth over there," she continued in an undertone.

"See, here is Cork, to your right—and Blarney Castle. Don't it just look lovely. But let me introduce you to the ladies in the booth. I am one of the workers."

How well now when it is all over do I recall her last words. Yes, she was one of the workers. Still, how could I help it. She was irresistible. You would like to know who she was, of course. I put the question to Father O'Ryan, the Society Editor.

"Can you describe her?" I said.

"Why," he replied, "that's easy," and I thought I saw that troubled look steal into his eyes.

"You mean, don't you, that lady over there in that 'coiffeur de soie'?"

I nodded, for I would not trust myself to pronounce those words.

"But what," I returned, "what's that in Irish?"

"In Irish is it" he faltered, "there ain't no Irish for it."

I saw I was getting into deep water and changed the conversation, and we both breathed a sigh of relief.

But I was anticipating. Miss — led me captive to the booth, and I went a willing captive. For I had long dreamt of the Irish Fair and waited patiently for the night when my dreams would be realized. How pleasant to go there after one's dreary days of work, to see that fairy land of scene, to feel that stir of life. . . .

"Won't you please take a chance from me?" Here my meditations were interrupted by a sweet young lady who had on exhibition a doll.

"See its lovely eyes and hair," she continued. "It's all my own work. You are sure to win, and . . ."

Don't blame me. Who could be so hard hearted as to refuse? And besides, a doll was just what I wanted.

I invested next in a pair of "creme de Paris" slippers, and I was thinking seriously of a pink and white necktie when some one proposed a visit to Blarney Castle.

Blarney Castle is directly over the booth. There is no elevator—nothing but a stairway. But—

"Who'er goes up those winding stairs Will ne'er come down the same."

As I started for Blarney I espied a friend of mine in front of the booth. Evidently he was very popular with the young ladies. I asked him to accompany us, but he made a gesture which clearly meant that he was a prisoner.

"Why don't you sheer off?" I whispered encouragingly.

"What's the good?" he replied, in the immortal words of Jack Bunsby,

"They'd capture me again."

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ANTRIM.

Mrs. Fairweather was a visitor to Antrim Booth and indulged freely in the delicious ice cream and candies.

Miss Stevens, Miss Keating, Miss Gibbon, Miss K. Byington, Mrs. Clara Kehoe were kept very busy serving ice cream to their many friends.

The L. C. C. Band has volunteered to play the dance music for the Academy Booth on Wednesday evening, May 21st. Every one is promised a jolly time.

Miss Minnie Malone was arrayed most becomingly last evening in pink peau de soie and Miss Agnes Sullivan in blue taffeta.

The ice cream garden attached to the Academy Booth is one of the busiest places in the Fair, owing to the presence of Miss Alice Moore who is ever ready to wait on her patrons.

Mrs. Geo. Day and Mrs. Owens, although they are not able to appear every evening, lend very able assistance to the Academy Booth.

Mr. William Riordan is doing good work in the Waterford Booth.

Mrs. Mulvey of Meath Booth is devoting all her energies to the success of the Fair.

Jim Foley and his trombone will be among the attractions at Wexford Booth on the 20th inst.

Warner and Warner grows the Queen of the Carnival contest. Miss Rita Curtis of Cork and Miss Agnes Kendrick of Academy Booth are among the leaders.

The Gibson Girl of Clare Booth, Miss Kathryn Flynn, is a decided success as a cigar seller.

Miss E. Hogan of Waterford Booth separated many dollars from the possession of many of many of the visiting Hibernians last night.

Mr. Reynolds of Westmeath keeps up his record as a hustler. Every evening with his broad smile, Mr. Reynolds may be seen and heard doing all kinds of creditable work for the Fair.

Dr. T. Elliott Connolly was a generous patron of many booths.

Miss Catherine O'Brien, President of St. Charles' Gaelic League was present again.

Sgeulta Ma h-Eonaighe

Mrs. Macquarra, Miss Daly, Miss Harrington, Mr. F. Kelley and Mr. T. Sloan took in the Fair and went away more than pleased with all they saw.

Willie Judge did a rushing business with a second-hand ham last evening.

Mr. James Donohue, our cheerful circulation editor, is preparing an affidavit as to circulation. He'll simply put all our loathsome contemporaries down the street out of business when he gets started. Jimmie can outswear the best of them.

Mrs. McKeever of the Derry Booth honored the office of "All Ireland" last evening.

Mrs. McKeever wishes her many friends and the friends of her indefatigable co-worker Mrs. Delehanty to know that all the donations given to the Derry Booth are located in the Galway Booth. Both Derry and Galway are in partnership, and it will continue during the Fair, and we hope forever for Ireland's sake.

Miss Minnie O'Leary of the State Board Gaelic League paid a visit to the office of "All Ireland."

Mr. M. J. Hart visited the Fair.

Professor Kelleher's Dancing School and the familiar strains of old tunes made us feel young again.

Miss Flora Greene is quite an attraction at Meath Booth.

Dr. J. A. McGough created a sensation at Meath Booth last night while wearing that stunning hat which is to be raffled.

Miss Nell Mulby at Meath Booth is a very charming and entertaining young lady.

Miss Lillian Maguire is a bright and witty young lady at the Meath Booth.

Mrs. P. O'Connell and Mrs. K. Inskeep found many friends among the Hibernians.

Mrs. Plunket and Mrs. McFadden were visitors to "All Ireland."

Miss Van Daalen is one of the most active workers at Galway Booth.

Mrs. and Miss Ward are untiring in their efforts for the success of Galway Booth. Both have been interested in the booth from the beginning and have done excellent work.

Mrs. Welch and the Misses Kitty and Josie Welch are earnest workers at the Academy Booth. They are the mother and sisters of Captain George Welch, Company I, L. C. C.

Great interest is taken, shaking for the large wedding cake at the Academy Booth. The dice is presided over by Miss Agnes Kendrick, a striking brunette, and the candidate for Queen from this booth.

Mrs. J. C. Flood looked most charming last evening. She wore black organdie over black taffeta, decolette. Her ornaments were rubies and diamonds.

Miss Tessie O'Connor of Corte Madera visited the Fair last evening.

Professor Brodersen, the illusionist, has not an equal on this continent.

We were all delighted to see Miss Mary Meehan presiding over her apron booth last evening.

The Rev. Fathers Collins, McMahon, Dollard and Hennessey deposited several votes last evening for the Academy Queen.

Mrs. D. Spence who makes the delicious ice cream, served at the Academy Booth, has kindly volunteered to assist the young ladies in serving.

Miss Alice Moore is indispensable at the Ice Cream Garden. All orders given her are filled with promptness.

Misses Minnie and Ella Coffey were present again last night. They were seen testing the ice cream.

Fathers Hennessey and Morgan visited the Fair last evening.

Mr. M. J. Hurley was again at his post last evening on "All Ireland."

Miss Campbell is much missed in the business office this week.

Messrs. Mulrahill, Corridan, E. J. Coffey and Dr. P. J. Conran visited Kerry Booth last evening, and Mr. Gorham was an easy victim for the young ladies last evening.

The Gibson Girl was a welcome visitor to the office of "All Ireland." She came several times.

Miss K. Flynn, one of the most active ladies in feeding the hungry at noon, threatens to inflict a menu card on visitors. But when it comes to pie, she must consult the kitchen, not the card.

Ben F. Rector, celebrated his return from his mine in Tuolumne County by a visit to the Irish Fair.

Major James Power of the League of the Cross Cadets almost cleaned this office out last evening. He came in to register several kicks about the non-delivery of papers to subscribers secured by him. The Major went away relieved in mind.

Mrs. J. S. Fennell had charge of the Galway races, and drew large crowds.

William Mulvin is proud of his get-up—the Father Yorke button. He says if business keeps up the supply will not be equal to the demand.

What happened to Martin Lacey's whiskers? Is it a fact that he donated them to the Galway Booth.

Miss Annie Morrissey is conducting a "Galway" campaign all over the hall.

Miss M. Warde is another energetic worker for Galway.

Miss May McDonald is one of the most energetic workers for the Tipperary Booth. Miss McDonald is a true representative of "Sweet Tipperary."

Rev. Father Barry had to pay the penalty of popularity. He started for the Kerry Booth but he was "down to the nickels" before he got there. The Rev. Father was the chief attraction in the center of the hall for half an hour. He barely managed to save a dime for a ride on the jaunting car.

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Mr. Frank Quinn of the Telephone Company hugely enjoyed the Rocky Road to Dublin. He was over the real road last year which added to the interest he felt.

Mrs. Keane and Miss Daisy Keane were among the visitors.

Mrs. J. Murphy of Longford looked charming in a beautiful black grenadine over blue taffeta.

Miss Katie Doyle of Longford looked sweet in white organdie over white taffeta. "Her sweet smile haunts me still," was said by many male visitors.

The members of Leitrim Booth wish to thank Rev. Father Tubman for his kind remembrances.

The Limerick laces exhibited in a large case at the north end of the lower floor was admired by a large number of people.

Dr. Wanz was a visitor at Cork Booth last evening.

The ladies of Limerick Booth entertained Rev. Father Brady, pastor of St. John's church last evening.

Father Pelzer of St. Peter's is a frequent visitor at the Tipperary Booth. The Rev. Father spent many years in Thurles, County Tipperary, preparatory to his ordination to the priesthood, hence his great love for Tipperary and for all Ireland. Father Pelzer though not wanting in allegiance to the Fatherland may well be numbered among those who though not of Irish birth are yet more Irish than many of the Irish themselves.

Mr. R. C. O'Connor lectured at the Map last evening on Ireland. Mr. O'Connor labors under the delusion that Kerry is Ireland.

Master Irving Blattner, assistant cashier in the Assessor's Office was warmly welcomed at the office of "All Ireland." After a ride on the Irish Jaunting Car and visit to the different booths including Blarney Castle, where the famous Blarney Stone reposes, he took his leave but not until he expressed his high appreciation of the beautiful scenes through which he had passed.

Visitors to the Tyrone Booth ask why Mrs. Maguire just smiles when anybody buys "Tomaes."

See Burns' handicap in Tyrone. Nothing more thrilling at the Fair.

Mrs. Keefe looked charming in white silk. Mrs. P. Kiely was admired in Nile green silk trimmed with pink lace.

Mrs. A. Burns presented a pretty picture in black grenadine.

Miss O'Brien is Sergeant at Arms in the Refreshment Booth.

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Mr. and Mrs. Kemmer were among the visitors to Louth Booth last evening.

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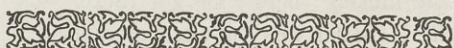
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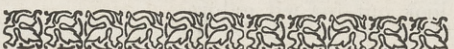


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TIPPERARY.

Tipperary Booth was well patronized last evening. The beautiful piano which is to be raffled is attracting the crowd's attention. There is a beautiful parlor chair being raffled, also some magnificent hand-painted cushions.

There were many visitors who did much in aid of the booth.

Mr. William Armbruster, Miss M. Ohea, Mr. Harry Ohea, Miss Mae Powers, the Misses Haussler, Mrs. Jesperesu Smith did much in aid of Tipperary.

SLIGO.

Sligo Booth is still in existence, even though it is at the end of the line. Its workers are as vigorous as ever, and are daily gathering their reward.

What was the cause of the disappearance of Miss Cassie O'Brien, Miss T. O'Connor and Miss Lena O'Brien towards closing time Monday evening?

Sergeants J. R. O'Connor and M. J. Conboy made a tour of Ireland in the afternoon, on account of their extreme bashfulness among so many charming young buds as appear in the evening.

CORK.

Mrs. Burns, the presiding genius of the grab-bag at Cork Booth attracts many by her genial smiles and ready wit.

Mrs. Jas F. Mulligan is making a great success of the Armagh Annex to the Cork Booth, where she dispenses ice-cream soda, ginger ale and several other cups "that cheer but do not inebriate." She is ably assisted in this arduous task by Mrs. Jos Donovan.

The Misses Margaret and May Flynn were beautifully attired in pink and white silk waists and black crepe de chine skirts.

Mrs. O'Brien and Mrs. Flynn work every moment, day and night in aid of Tipperary Booth.

Mrs. Ryan and Mrs. Rennelson were liberal to the Monaghan Booth.

What is the attraction at the Monaghan Booth for Miss Nellie Brown?

Father Morgan of the Youth's Directory, Mr. and Mrs. McComb, and Mr. and Mrs. Ward were welcome visitors at the Cavan Booth.

Mr. Maurice P. Corridan ran the wheel-of-fortune in the Kerry Booth like an old-timer.

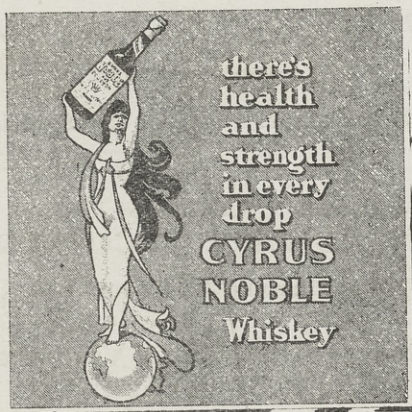
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